

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1255
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A RESOLUTION to commend Kathy Nevill upon her receipt of the E. Bronson Ingram Award from the PENCIL Foundation.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those estimable public servants who have dedicated their careers to providing the highest quality education for Tennessee's students; and

WHEREAS, Kathy Nevill is one such laudable person, who was recently awarded the prestigious E. Bronson Ingram Award from the PENCIL Foundation; and

WHEREAS, the E. Bronson Ingram Award, which was presented to Ms. Nevill at PENCIL's annual Bravo! Breakfast on May 4, 2006, honors an outstanding community leader for his or her dedication to and support of public education; and

WHEREAS, a Nashville native who earned a Bachelor of Science in Education from the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, and a Master of Business Administration degree in Finance and Management from Tennessee State University, Kathy Nevill is a certified teacher with endorsements in special education; and

WHEREAS, in her professional career, Ms. Nevill has served as a public school teacher, an administrator of for-profit and non-profit organizations, and a small business consultant, evincing the greatest integrity and probity in all of her chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, Kathy Nevill has further served her community and the Metropolitan Nashville school system as a PTA/PTO Officer at three schools from 1992-2000; as a member of the Chamber of Commerce Report Card Panel on Metro Schools from 1993-1997; as a team leader for Tying Nashville Together Children and Education Team from 1999-2000; and as a participant in the Surrogate Parent Program, Metro Schools Special Education, from 1995-2000; and

WHEREAS, throughout her exemplary tenure as the Vice Chairwoman of the Metropolitan Nashville School Board, Ms. Nevill has distinguished herself as a public-spirited citizen of the highest order and as an exceptional asset to her community; and

WHEREAS, a member of the Metro School Board since 2000, Kathy Nevill has lent her considerable skills and talents to its Budget and Finance Committee, which she has served as Chair; its Policy Governance Committee, which she has served as Chair; the PENCIL Foundation Board of Directors; and the Tennessee School Boards Association, which she has served as Middle Tennessee District Director; and

WHEREAS, Kathy Nevill's remarkable success as a public servant and civic leader is directly attributable to her reliance on the time-honored values of hard work and common sense and her uncommon ability to work well with people from all walks of life; and

WHEREAS, her many accomplishments aside, Kathy Nevill is fortunate to share both love and companionship with her husband and their two children; and

WHEREAS, Kathy Nevill truly epitomizes the dedicated educator who is wholly committed to the highest ideals of public service and quality education for all, and she should be specially recognized for her manifold achievements; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby congratulate Kathy Nevill upon her receipt of the E. Bronson Ingram Award from the PENCIL Foundation, commend her for her honorable and astute service to the children of Nashville and the good people of the State of Tennessee as the Vice Chairwoman of the Metropolitan Nashville School Board, and salute her unswerving commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.